

Mission Possible: Spy a Book!

Toddler Programs

by Lelia Parrish

I Spy

Books to Share

Baby Einstein's See and Spy Shapes by Julie Aigner-Clark. Brown Bear, Brown Bear What Do You See? by Eric Carle. I Spy Little Book by Jean Marzollo.

I Spy On The Farm by Richard Powell.

Books to Show and Booktalk

Hide and Snake by Keith Baker.Look Book by Tana Hoban.Seven Blind Mice by Ed Young.

Bolletin Board

Spy a Book!

Place book jackets of classic picture books on a bulletin board. Cover the bulletin board with construction paper and cut circles from construction paper to frame the book jackets.

Fingerplays

"Grandma's Spectacles" from *Ring A Ring O'Roses*.

"Here Are My Eyes" from *Ring A Ring O'Roses*.

Song

I See the Moon (Traditional)

I see the moon
And the moon sees me.
The moon sees somebody
I'd like to see.
God bless the moon
And God bless me,
And God bless the somebody
I'd like to see.

Poppet Story

Hibernating Bear

(Tell this story with a bear puppet and a paper bag stage. To create a paper bag stage, cut a hole in the side of a plain brown paper grocery bag. Place it on your lap and use the hole as the front of the stage. A bear or "osito" nametag that would make a great stick puppet is included in the Bilingual programs chapter.)

Here is a cave, (Point to paper bag stage)

Inside is a bear.

Watch and you'll see him come outside, (Bring bear up)

To get some fresh air.

He stays out all summer in the sunshine and heat,

Looking for berries and good things to eat.

But when snow starts to fall he hurries inside (*Bear goes in cave*) Safe and warm in his cave he will hide.

Flannel Board Story

"Here is a Nest" in *The Flannel Board Storytelling Book, 2nd Edition* by Judy Sierra.

Craft

I Spy Binoculars

Materials

Empty toilet paper rolls Masking Tape Optional: Markers or crayons

Directions

Let an adult help the toddlers wrap masking tape around two toilet paper rolls placed side by side to create binoculars. Children can decorate them with markers or crayons.

Adult/Child Craft Activity

I Spy Bottle

Materials

Empty pint plastic milk bottles with lids

Rice

Trinkets

Electrician's tape or hot glue

Directions

This activity can be prepared ahead of time or created as a parent/child craft. Place about five or more trinkets in each bottle. Use a funnel to add rice to almost fill the bottle. Children can choose the trinkets and the pour rice with supervision. If toddlers are present, seal the lid of bottle with glue or tape it securely. The children shake the bottle to expose the various trinkets.

Adolt/Child Game

I Spy with My Hands

Gather items familiar to toddlers. Place one item at a time in a brown grocery bag. Let each child reach in bag, feel it, and guess what it is. Prompt with questions such as: Is it soft, smooth, or rough? Is it hard or soft? What do you think it is? Should we take a look?

Web Site

Kids Fun Online – I Spy www.scholastic.com/Ispy

CD-ROM

I Spy Junior: Puppet Playhouse.

Professional Resource

The Flannel Board Storytelling Book, 2nd Edition by Judy Sierra.



I Spy: 1,2,3

Books to Share

1, 2, 3 by Tana Hoban.I Spy Little Numbers by Jean Marzollo.One, Two, Three to the Zoo by Eric Carle.Three Little Kittens by Tanya Linch.

Books to Show and Booktalk

Count! by Denise Fleming.Five Little Monkeys Jumping On The Bed by Eileen Christlelow.Ten, Nine, Eight by Molly Bang.

Touch and Feel: 1,2, 3 by Dorling Kindersley.

Bolletin Board

Books You Can Count on

Cut out large numbers and write titles, authors, and call numbers of picture books on them. Place the numbers randomly on the bulletin board around the caption, "Books You Can Count On."

Nametags

Give each child a number from 1 to 5 for a nametag when they enter the storytime area. (Pattern included at end of preschool chapter.)

Fingerplays

"One, Two, How Do You Do" (From *Ring O Ring O'Roses* by Flint Public Library.)

Hickory Dickory Dock

(Traditional. Make a clock and mouse to go with this rhyme using the pattern at the end of this chapter.)

Hickory, dickory, dock,

(Place hands together and move them back and forth)

The mouse ran up the clock

(Raise hands above head)

The clock struck one

(Clap hands above head once)

The mouse ran down.

(Bring hands back down together)

Hickory, dickory, dock.

...The clock struck two The mouse said, "Boo!"

(Cups hands around mouth)

...The clock struck three The mouse said, "Wheee!" (*Flutter hands down*) Hickory, dickory, dock.

...The clock struck four The mouse said, "No More!" Hickory, dickory, dock.

I Spy Three

(Adapted by Leila Raven Parrish. Use a different finger puppet with each verse. Tailor the verses to fit the puppets you have or a book you are introducing.)

I spy three - one, two, three

(Hold up 3 fingers, one at a time)

Three little bunnies

Reading the funnies.

(Wiggle 3 fingers)

One, two, three.

(Bend down 3 finger, one at a time)

...Three little frogs

Sitting on logs.

(Place other arm in front to create a log)

...Three little bees

Buzzing in trees.

(Spread fingers of other hand to create a tree)

Rhymes

"One, Two, Buckle My Shoe" from *Ring A Ring O'Roses*.

Five Little Monkeys

Sing "Five Little Monkeys" using monkey finger puppets.

Songs

"Ten Little Indians"

"Three Little Kittens"

Roll Over

(Sing this traditional counting song using felt figures and removing them as the song indicates.)

There were five in the bed.
And the little one said,
"Roll over! Roll over!"
And they all rolled over and one fell out.

There were four in the bed...

There were three in the bed...

There were two in the bed...

... There was one in the bed,

And the little one said, "Good night!"

Flannel Board Stories

"One, Two, Buckle My Shoe" in *The Flannel Board Storytelling Book, 2nd Edition* by Judy Sierra.

"Five Little Boats" in *The Flannel Board Storytelling Book, 2nd Edition* by Judy Sierra.

Adult and Child Craft

1. 2. 3 Clay

Materials

Table

Clay

Wax paper or styrofoam trays

Directions

With adult guidance, children roll pieces of clay back and forth with both hands to create 3 snakes. Children bend and shape the clay snakes to form the numbers 1, 2, and 3 and dry them on wax paper or a styrofoam tray.

Activities

Number Game

Refer to the numbers the children were given for nametags. Ask them to stand up when you say their number. Count from 1 to 9.

1,2,3 Count With Me

(Adapted from *Math Play* by Diane McGowan.)

Count to three and say an action phrase like "jump with me", "clap with me", "hug with me", "yawn with me". Ask the children to count with you each time and then do the action you say.

Audio Recordings

Counting Games and Rhythms for the Little Ones by Ella Jenkins. "This Old Man" on **A Child's Celebration of Song** by Various Artists.

Video

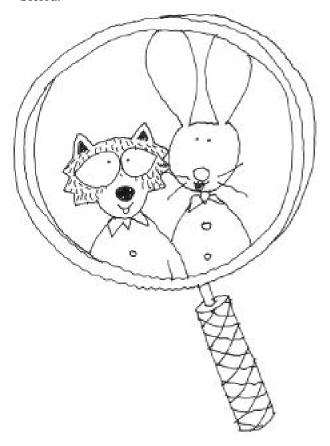
The Three Little Pigs. (12 minutes)

Web Site

Childrcraft Education Corporation www.childcraft.com

Professional Resources

Math Play by Diane McGowan. *The Flannel Board Storytelling Book, 2nd Edition* by Judy Sierra.



I Spy: ABC

Books to Share

Blue's Clue My Favorite Letters by Deborah Reber. Chicka Chicka ABC by Bill Martin. I Spy Little Letters by Jean Marzollo. Miss Spider's ABC by David Kirk.

Books to Show and Booktalk

Amazing I Spy ABC by Ken Laidlaw.

Dr Seuss ABC: An Amazing Book by Dr Seuss.

I Spy: An Alphabet In Art by Lucy Micklethwait.

Touch and Feel ABC by Dorling Kindersley.

Bolletin Board

Do You Know Your ABCs? Our Toddler Storytimers Do!

Let the children decorate letters of the alphabet at Toddler storytime. Display them on the bulletin board below the caption "Come Join Us". Include the day and time of Toddler Storytime.

Decorations

Suspend the letters of the alphabet from the ceiling.

Nametags

Let children choose the first letter of their name for a nametag.

Fingerplay

A Is For Alligator

(Traditional)

"A" is for alligator, chop, chop, chop! (With elbows together clap hands)

"B" is for bouncing, hop, hop hop! (*Hop 3 times*)
"C" is for circles, around and around. (*Turn in circles*)

And "D" is for when we all sit down. (Sit)

Song

Where is ABC?

(Adapted by Leila Raven Parrish. Sing to the tune of "Frere Jacques".)

Where is "A"? Where is "A"?

(Hands behind back shrug shoulders)

Here I am. Here I am. (Bring out large "A")

How are you today, "A"? (Look at "A")

Very well and thank you. (Move "A" up and down)

I must go, I must go.

Where is ABC?

(Here is a variation to the "Where is ABC" song using puppets and/or props to match the letters of the alphabet. Bring out the correct item for each letter the first time you sing. Bring out an incorrect one the second time. Limit this activity to 3 or 4 letters each time.)

Where is "A"? Where is "A"?

Here I am! Here I am!

(Bring out an "A" item such as an alligator puppet or apple)

How are you today, "alligator"?

Very well and thank you.

I must go. I must go.

Where is "A"? Where is "A"?

Here I am! Here I am!

(Bring out an item that does NOT begin with "A")

You're NOT "A"! You're NOT "A"!

Where is "A"? Where is "A"?

Here I am! Here I am! (Bring out correct "A" item)

Poppet Story

ABC Puppets

Read the interactive soft book, *My First ABC Puppets* from Folkmanis Puppets.

Craft

A. B. C Fon

Materials

Poster board Alphabet stencils Markers, paint, or stickers Optional: Construction paper

Directions

Precut large stencils of the letters A, B, and C from poster board. Children decorate them with markers, paint, or stickers. Use them to decorate your bulletin board. **Optional:** Children sing the "Where Is ABC" song using

Optional: Children sing the "Where Is ABC" song using the letters or glue them to a piece of construction paper.

Activity

Hidden ABC Activity Sheet

Photocopy and distribute the "Hidden ABCs Activity Sheet" at the end of this chapter and let the children color the letters.

A Jan Brett Flash Card Alphabet

Print Jan Brett's Flash Card Alphabet at www.janbrett.com/alphabet/flash_card_alphabet_traditional_main_page.htm. Show the cards to the children one by one and name the letter and the matching animal. Ask the children to repeat them.

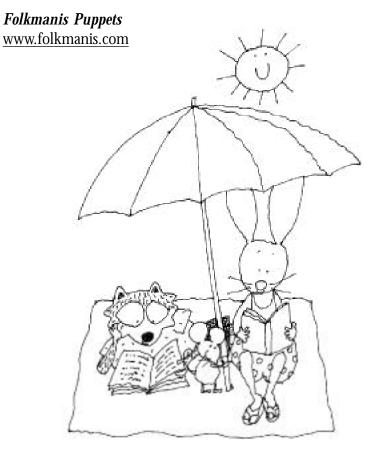
Audio Recordings

"ABC's" on Early Childhood Songs by Ella Jenkins.

"'A' You're Adorable (The Alphabet Song)" on *Sing Around the Campfire* by Sharon Lois & Bram.

"Funky Bluesy ABC's" on *Big Blues: Blues Music for Kids* by Various Artists.

Web Site



I Spy: Backyard Adventures

Books to Share

I Went Walking by Sue Williams.In My World by Lois Ehlert.The Little Lawnmower by Joy Bean.Mushroom In the Rain by Mirra Ginsburg.

Books to Show and Booktalk

Bailey Goes Camping by Kevin Henkes. **Flower Garden** by Eve Bunting.

Jack's Garden by Henry Cole.

Over In the Meadow: An Old Nursery Counting Rhyme by Paul Galdone.

Sunflower House by Eve Bunting.

Bolletin Board

Backyard Adventures

Cover the bulletin board with blue paper and decorate with tall grass. Hide book jackets behind the blades of grass and add the caption, "Backyard Adventures".

Stamp

As the children enter the storytime area, stamp their hands with the shape of something they might see in a backyard, such as a tree, flower, bug, bunny, bird.

Fingerplay

Fon In Our Backgard (Adapted by Leila Raven Parrish.)

Climb the ladder, and down we slide; (Make a sliding motion with hands)

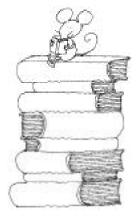
Then on our tricycle we ride. *(Make a pedaling motion)*Swinging, swinging, way up high, *(Swing arms back and forth)*Stretching, stretching to the sky. *(Reach arms up high)*Around and around we go, *(Stand and turn in a circle)*Having fun in our backyard.

Rhyme

Mary, Mary, Quite Contrary (Traditional)

Mary, Mary, quite contrary, How does your garden grow? With silver bells and cockle shells, And pretty maids all in a row.





Song

I've Been Playing in the Backyard

(Adapted by Leila Raven Parrish. Sing to the tune of "I've Been Working On the Railroad".)

I've been playing in the backyard All the live long day.
I've been playing in the backyard,
Just to pass the time away.
Can't you hear the swings a swinging,
Rise up so early in the day;
Can't you hear the children shouting,
"Now is time to play!"

Won't you come and play? Won't you come and play? Won't you come and play, with me-e-e? Won't you come and play? Won't you come and play? Won't you come and play, with me? Someone's in the backyard playing, Someone's in the backyard I know. Someone's in the backyard playing, With my good friend Joe.

And singing
Fe fi fiddlee-i-o, fe fi fiddlee-i-o,
Fe fi fiddlee-i-o,
Playing with my good friend Joe.

Cot 'n Tell Story

Tell "The Apple Tree" from *Cut & Tell Scissor Stories For Fall* by Jean Warren.

Flannel Board Story

"The First Umbrella" in *Storytelling with the Flannel Board Book Two* by Paul S. Anderson.

Craft

Daffodils

Materials

Construction paper Yellow paper cupcake liners Green ribbon Glue

Directions

Children place a dot of glue on the back center of a cupcake liner, attach it to a piece of construction paper, and glue on an 8-inch piece of green ribbon for the stem and two 3-inch pieces for leaves.

Activity Sheet

Backyard Adventure Maze

Give each child a copy of the "Backyard Adventure Maze" at the end of this chapter.

Audio Recording

"Over In the Meadow" on Baby Beluga by Raffi.

Videos

In the Tall, Tall Grass (6 minutes)

Over In the Meadow. (9 minutes)

A Rainbow Of My Own. (5 minutes)

Professional Resource

"Cut & Tell" Scissor Stories For Fall by Jean Warren.

Storytelling with the Flannel Board Book Two by Paul S.

Anderson.



Little Cloes

Books to Share

Have You Seen My Duckling? by Nancy Tafuri. The Shape Detectives by Angela Santomero. Welcome To Blue's Clues by Angela Santomero. Who Took the Farmer's Hat? by Joan Nodset.

Books to Show and Booktalk

Each Peach Pear Plum by Janet Ahlberg. Weather Games With Blue! by Deborah Reber. Whose Hat? by Margaret Miller. Whose Shoe? by Margaret Miller.

Display

Can You Guess Who's Reading These?

Display hats or tools for various community helpers along with books about those professions. For example: Show a fire hat and read *Fire Engines* by Anne Rockwell.

Puppet Rhyme

Queen of Hearts

(This is a "Mother Goose" rhyme. Create a Queen of Hearts glove puppet by cutting three small red hearts and attaching

them to the finger tips of a black glove. On the first heart, put a pink crown for the queen; on the second heart, a brown top hat for the knave, and on the third heart, a blue crown for the king.)

The Queen of Hearts,
She made some tarts
All on a summer day;
The Knave of Hearts,
He stole those tarts,
And took them clean away.
The King of Hearts
Called for the tarts,
And beat the Knave full sore;
The Knave of Hearts
Brought back the tarts,
And vowed he'd steal no more.

Cut 'n Tell Story

Tell "The Little Orange House" from *Paper Stories* by Jean Stangl.

Flannel Board Story

"Davy Crockett and the Bear" in *Storytelling with the Flannel Board Book One* by Paul S. Anderson.

Adult/Child Craft

Little Clues Notebook

Materials

Cardstock
Typing paper cut in half
Hole punch
Yarn or string
Optional: Markers and stickers

Directions

Photocopy the notebook pattern at the end of this chapter onto cardstock. Give each child a blank sheet of card stock and a notebook on cardstock along with 5 or 6 sheets of typing paper. Adults align the cardstock and typing paper and punch two holes on the "X" at the top of the notebook pattern. Children thread string or yarn through holes to create their Little Clues Notebooks and then decorate them with stickers or markers.

Activity Sheet

Who Left Each Clue?

Distribute a photocopy of the "Who Left Each Clue? Matching Game" at the end of this chapter to each child. Adults guide the children as they draw a line between the footprints and the person or animal that made them.

Shape Detectives

Hide circles, triangles, and squares in the storytime area. Let the children hunt for them, one shape at a time and say, "Let's find circles now", or "Now let's look for squares", or "It's now time to look for triangles." Hide plenty so every child can find one of each shape.

Activity

Name That Community Helper

Play a guessing game with the children by bringing props and miming actions of various community helpers. Dress-up hats can be found at a teacher's supply store, or borrow them from library patrons. For example, put on a postal worker's hat and say, "I am wearing a special hat. I sometimes carry a bag or drive a truck. Here's another clue." Hold up a group of letters and say, "I bring letters to your mailbox. Who am I?"

Audio Recordings

"We Are Going To Play Blue's Clues" on *Goodnight Blue* by Blue's Clues.

Web Sites

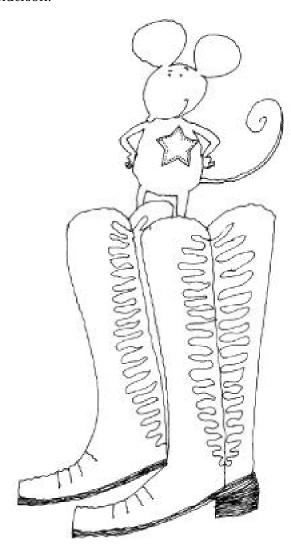
Childcraft Education Corp www.childcraft.com

Nick Jr. www.nickjr.com

PBS Kids www.pbskids.org

Professional Resource

Paper Stories by Jean Stangl.Storytelling with the Flannel Board Book One by Paul S. Anderson.



Peek-A-Boo

Books to Share

Hide and Seek by Susanna Gretz. *Peek-a-Boo!* by Janet Ahlberg. *Peek-a-Boo!* by Janet Ormerod. *Peek-a-Who?* by Nina Laden.

Books to Show and Booktalk

Hide and Seek by Jez Alborough.Hide and Seek by Brenda Shannon Yee.Peek-a-boo Bugs by David Carter.Where Did Bunny Go? by Nancy Tafuri.

Bolletin Board

Peek-a-Boo Shapes

Cut shapes of circles, triangles, and squares out of poster board. Attach the shapes to the bulletin board with favorite book characters underneath and create a "Peek-a-Boo" bulletin board. If possible, laminate to reinforce it.

Fingerplay

"Beehive" from Ring A Ring O'Roses by Flint Public Library.

Rhyme

Peek-a-boo

(Traditional)

Peek-a-boo, I see you, Hiding behind your hands. Boo!

Poem

"Teeny Tiny Ghost" by Lillian Moore in *Ghost Poems* edited by Daisy Wallace.

Song

Pop Goes the Weasel

All around the cobbler's bench The monkey chased the weasel. The monkey thought 'twas all in fun. Pop! Goes the weasel.

A penny for a spool of thread, A penny for a needle, That's the way the money goes. Pop! Goes the weasel.

Finger Poppets

Use Folkmanis Peek-a-boo bunny/monkey puppets or other puppets to introduce stories/books.

Finger Poppet Stories

Teeny Tiny Ghost

Cut out a door and second floor window in a haunted house made from black poster board. Make a finger puppet of a ghost from white felt and draw a face on it. Tell a Peek-a-BOO! story with the Lillian Moore poem, "Teeny Tiny Ghost".

Puppet Stories

Peek-A-Boo Play Cube

Create a simple peek-a-boo story/activity using the interactive Bunny or Monkey Peek-a-boo Play Cube from Folkmanis Puppets. For example, "Where is bunny?" "Is he here?" "What do bunnies eat?" "Let's find his carrot! Is it here?" Or, create your own Peek-a-boo Cube from a box by cutting flaps to hide the bunny puppet and carrots.

Flannel Board Stories

"Sleepy Mr. Sun" in *Storytelling with the Flannel Board Book Two* by Paul S. Anderson.

"Pop Goes the Weasel" in *The Flannel Board Storytelling Book, 2nd Edition* by Judy Sierra.

"Two Little Bluebirds" in *The Flannel Board Storytelling Book*, *2nd Edition* by Judy Sierra.

Crafts

Peek-a-Boo Egg

Materials

Construction paper Chick and egg patterns Glue stick

Directions

Pre-cut eggs and chicks from construction paper using the patterns at the end of this chapter. Children glue a chick to the inside of an egg to create a peek-a-boo egg. If a child attaches chick to the outside of egg, just refold it to create the peek-a-boo egg.

Adult/Child Activity Craft

Peek-a-Boo Page

(Adapted from Games to Play With Toddlers by Jackie Silberg)

Materials

Old magazines or catalogs 8" x 12" Construction paper 3-Hole punch Glue Scissors Small binder rings

Directions

In advance, cut out large pictures of familiar objects from magazines. Children glue one or two pictures to each side of the construction paper. An adult then 3-hole punches the construction paper with pictures and a blank piece of construction paper. Children thread the yarn through the holes and tie it to attach the pages together. An adult cuts the page without any pictures into three horizontal strips. This is the beginning of a peek-a-boo book. Additional pages may be added as time permits. Children look at the completed peek-a-boo page book by turning one strip at a time to reveal more of the picture.

Web Site

Folkmanis Puppets www.folkmanis.com

Professional Resources

Games To Play With Toddlers by Jackie Silberg.
Ghost Poems by Daisy Wallace.
Ring A Ring O'Roses by Flint Public Library.
Storytelling with the Flannel Board Book Two by Paul S. Anderson.

The Flannel Board Storytelling Book, 2nd **Edition** by Judy Sierra.

Treasure Hunt

Books to Share

Blués Big Treasure Hunt by Angela Santomero.
Rainbow Fish: Hidden Treasures by Gail Donovan.
Mop's Treasure Hunt by Martine Schaap.
Sonny's Treasure Hunt by Lisa Stubbs.
Treasure of Pirate Island: Great Adventures by Matt Mitter.

Books to Show and Booktalk

Dora's Treasure Hunt by Alison Inches. **Treasure Hunt** by Allan Ahlberg. **Treasure Hunt** by Bill Cosby. **Treasure Hunt** by Susan Simon.

Bulletin Board

Treasure Chest of Golden Reads

Cut out gold and/or yellow circles for coins and write authors, titles, and call numbers of pirate and treasure hunt picture books on them. Place the coins in a Treasure Chest on the bulletin board along with the caption, "Treasure Chest of Golden Reads".







Display

Spy a Treasure

Decorate an old trunk as a treasure chest and fill it with board books. Place the caption on the side or lid of the trunk.

Nametags

As children enter the storytime area, give them nametags in the shape of treasure chests. (Pattern provided at end of chapter.)

Decorations

Hang a piñata shaped like a treasure chest.



Fingerplays

The Pirates Are Creeping (Adapted by Leila Raven Parrish)

The pirates are creeping. *(Tiptoe two fingers up arm)* Shhhh! *(Index finger to lips)*

The pirates are creeping. Shhhh! Shhhh! They do not make a sound, As their feet touch the ground. The pirates are creeping. Shhhhh!

Flannel Board Story

"Jack and the Robbers" in *Twenty Tellable Tales* by Margaret Read MacDonald.

Adult and Child Craft

Treasure Chests

Materials

Baby wipe containers with lids Stickers

Directions

Child attaches stickers to the baby wipe containers to create a treasure chest.

Games and Activities

Treasure Chest Cake

Serve a treasure chest cake using recipe found at www.BirthdayExpress.com.

Treasure Chest Grab Box

Decorate a small box as a treasure chest and fill it with trinkets, stickers, and/or bookmarks. Invite the children reach in and find a treasure on their way out of storytime.

Audio Recordings

"Blue's Big Treasure" on *Blue's Big Treasure* by Various Artists. "Whose Treasure is This?" on *Blue's Big Treasure* by Various Artists.

Web Site

Birthday Express Party Source www.BirthdayExpress.com

CD-ROM

Blue's Treasure Hunt.

Professional Resources

Great Pirate Activity Book by Deri Robins.

Twenty Tellable Tales by Margaret Read MacDonald.



Who? What? Where?

Books to Share

Where Am I? Learning Riddles by Peter Zeibel.Where Is Baby's Mommy? by Karen Katz.Who Sank the Boat? by Pamela Allen.Who's Hiding?: With Big Flaps for Little Hands by Kathleen Weidner Zoehfeld.

Books to Show and Booktalk

Caillou Where Is It? by Fabien Savary.
Caillou Tell Me Where by Fabien Savary.
Poky Little Puppy by Janette Sebring Lowrey.
Where Is My Baby? by Harriet Ziefert.
Who Am I? A Book to Touch and Feel by Alice Wilder.
Who Said Moo? by Harriet Zeifert.

Nametags

As the children enter the storytime area, give them nametags in the shape of large question marks. (Pattern is provided at the end of this chapter.)

Fingerplay

'Where Is Thumbkin?" from Ring A Ring O'Roses.

Rhymes

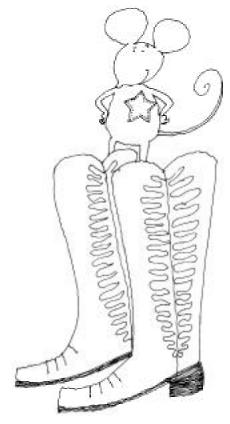
Pussy Cat Where Have You Been? (Mother Goose)

Pussy cat, pussy cat, where have you been? I've been to London to see the queen.
Pussy cat, pussy cat, what did you there?
I frightened a little mouse under the chair.

Who Made the Pie?

(Mother Goose)

Who made the pie? I did.
Who stole the pie.
He did.
Who found the pie?
She did.
Who ate the pie?
You did.
Who cried for pie?
We all did.



Chant

Where? Here!

(Traditional)

Where's (*insert child's name*)? Where, where? Where's (*insert child's name*)? Where, where? Where's (*insert child's name*)? Where, where? There's (*insert child's name*). There, there! Is he/she up on the mountain? No, no! Down, at the fountain? No, no! Gone out to play? No, no! I see (*insert child's name*) is here today.

Story

Tell "A Mysterious House" from *Stories To Play With* by Hiroko Fujita.

Flannel Board Stories

"The Little Rabbit Who Wanted Red Wings" in *Storytelling* with the Flannel Board Book One by Paul S. Anderson. "Chicken Little" in *Storytelling with the Flannel Board Book Two* by Paul S. Anderson.

Craft

Detective Dog Craft

Materials

Construction paper

Scissors

Stapler

Directions

Precut two long ovals about two to three inches wide and a 2" X 18" strip of construction paper using the patterns at the end of this chapter for each child. Wrap the strip around the child's head and staple it to fit. Remove and attach an oval to each side to create dog ears.

Activity

Where Is ..?

Sing the song "Where Is Thumbkin" and display various finger puppets, substituting the name of the puppet. Introduce storytime books with this song with a puppet that represents a character from the story.

Audio Recordings

"Must Be Santa" on *Raffi's Christmas Album* by Raffi.

"Who All Is Here?" on *African American Folk Songs and Rhythms* by Ella Jenkins.

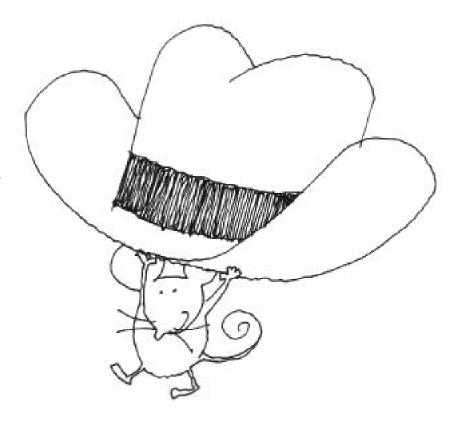
Video

The Poky Little Puppy. (7 minutes)

Professional Resources

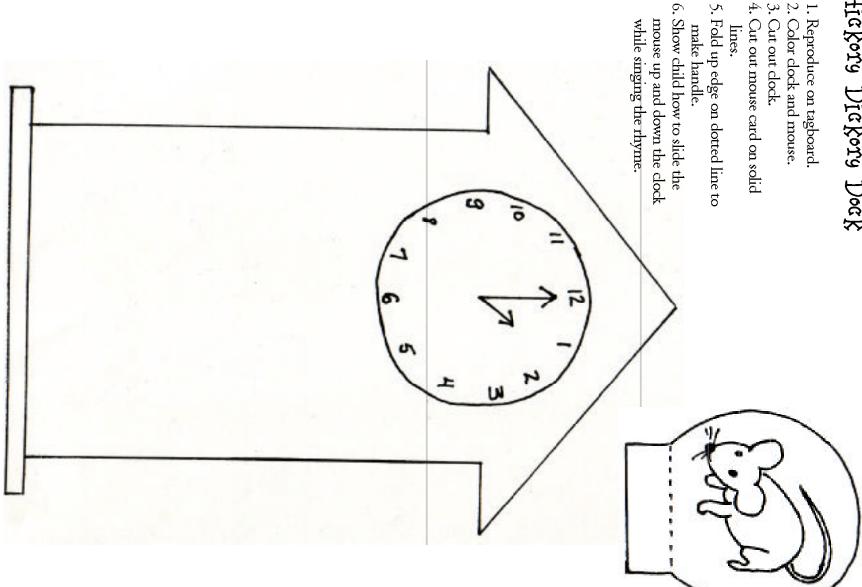
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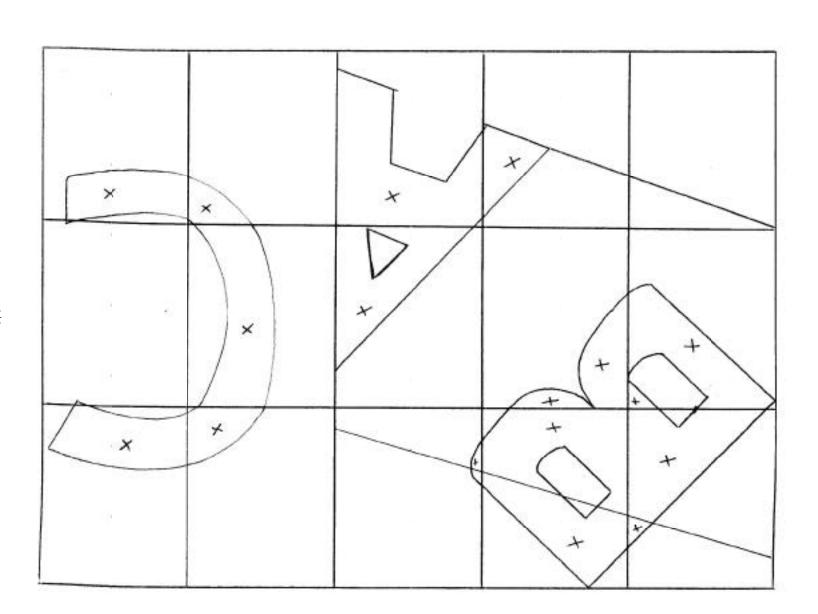




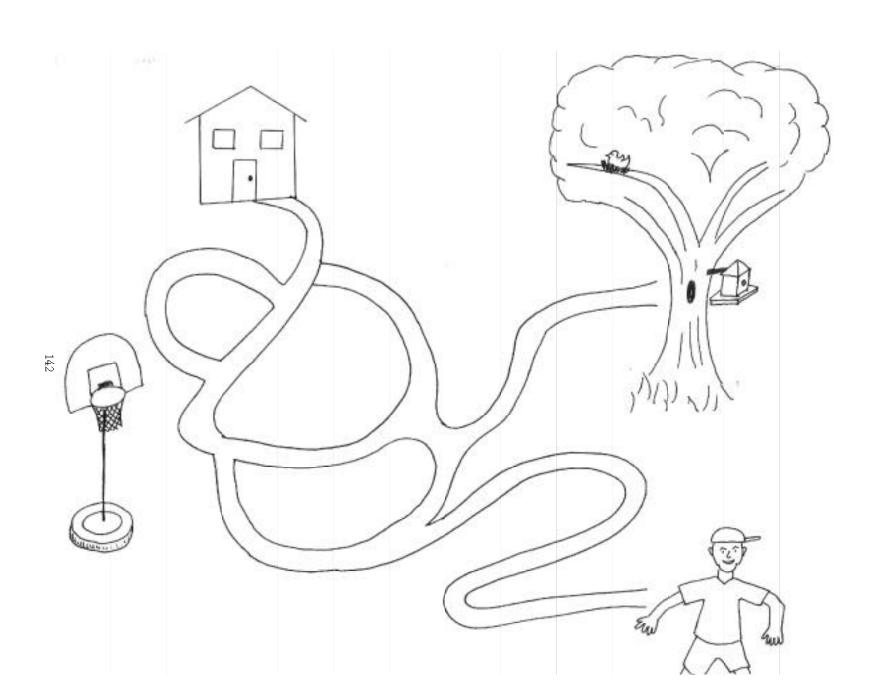
- 3. Cut out clock.
- 4. Cut out mouse card on solid
- 5. Fold up edge on dotted line to make handle.
- 6. Show child how to slide the mouse up and down the clock



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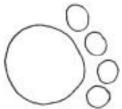


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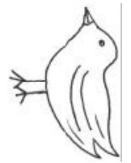




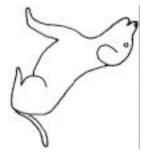




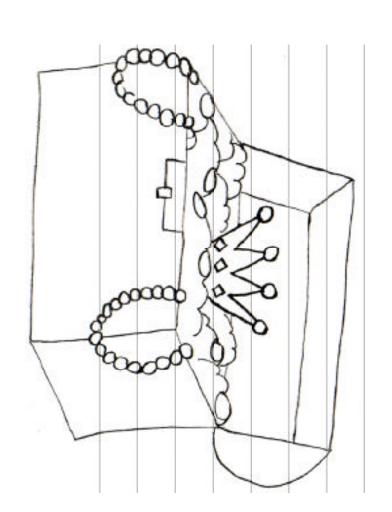


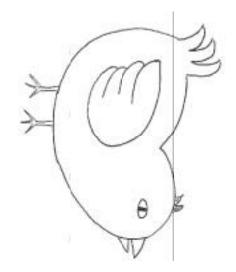


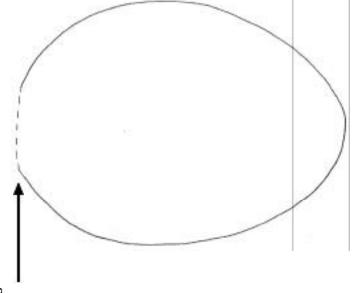




Treasure Hunt Nametag

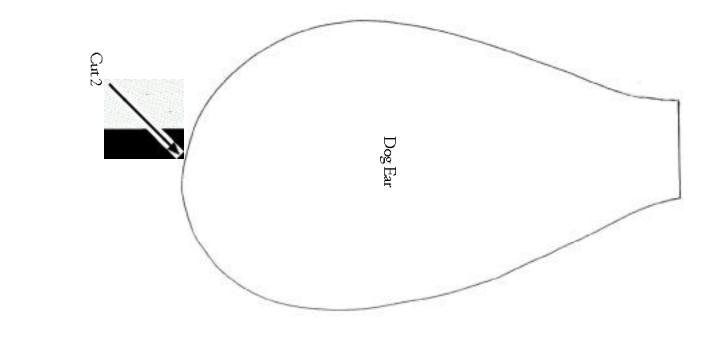






Place this end of pattern on fold.

Detective Dog Craft



Cut 2 or Place on Fold and Cut 1

